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In connection with the attached inquiry concerning the antecedents of a Russian woman employed as a seller of dance tickets at the Cha Loh Dance Hall in Thibet Road, the undersigned paid a visit to this particular cabaret and got into conversation with a ticket seller whose description is as follows:

A woman aged about 35 to 40 years, average height, rather corpulent, fair hair, good regular teeth. She informed me that she had been employed in her present capacity for about seven months and that she was previously engaged at the New Royal Cabaret in the French Concession.

This information was passed to D.S. Tcheremshansky who was able to ascertain that the woman in question is named Anna Spiridonovna Stepanova alias Stepennova. She was born at Blagoveschensk, Siberia in 1891 and first came to Shanghai from Vladivostock in 1920. Since 1928 she has been employed as a dance hostess and ticket vendor in various cabarets of the poorer class, as for example, the New Royal, Blue Rose etc. in Rue Chu Pan San, French Concession. During this period she has resided at as many as twelve different addresses. Twice during 1932 she visited Chefoo. In the Boarding House Register she describes herself as an artist. Mrs Stepanova is a widow; the person whose record is given hereunder is reported to be son:

Victor Vassilievitch Stepanoff alias Stepeoff, born March 23, 2, 1910 at Habarovsk; came to Shanghai in 1920, since which date he has been employed for varying periods of time at the Canidrome, Capitol, Holliwood and Majestic Cinemas, Luna Park etc. From August 1932 until the date of his dismissal for being generally unsatisfactory on January 21, 1933, he had a position as Bus Inspector with the China General Omnibus Company. He is now a

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affiliations of a Russian woran who sells dance tickets at the Cha Loh Dancing hall in Thibet Road which is frequented by Foreign troops.

The Cha Loh Dancing Hall was put out of bounds for British tro possibout three months ago, but the ban was lifted this month. The place is managed by an ex-member of the U.S. Larine Corps named Scheivner.

Decisions about putting places out of bounds are made by Captain Fenton who usually acts on the recommendation of Lieutenant R.B. Moss, D.A.P.M. The latter depends for information on Jergeant Lajor Lawrence, L.F.B., who has been here since last February.

Lieut. Moss lives in the Great Western Road Less, and his telephone number is Force 43.

The in uiry should be conducted very confidentially and nothing should be said to any of the military people named without consulting me.

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